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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE  
**SIGINT Committee**

Office of the Chairman

27 June 1988

The Honorable Gordon Smith  
Assistant Secretary of Defense  
Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence  
Office of the Secretary of Defense  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Dr. Smith:

The recently completed FSCS Phase III study marks a milestone in SIGINT Committee work. It has been accepted by the DDCI for use by the Intelligence Community in planning future SIGINT capabilities. As such it represents a significant accomplishment as we strive to assure future collection capabilities in an era of increasing intelligence needs and changing technology.

As FSCS Steering Group and Working Group members respectively, Bobby Ellison and Austin Yamada made many valuable contributions to the study. Their efforts in representing the Department of Defense were important not only to the results of the study but also in fostering a spirit of cooperation throughout the SIGINT community. They are to be commended for their work in supporting the study, in developing and coordinating the FSCS tasks, and providing overall guidance and counsel with respect to the course and direction of the study. Without their personal initiative, substantive background, and professional expertise this study could not have been done.

Sincerely,

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